[Mr. T. P. Velayudhan Pillai.]

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the action taken on the same ; and

(*c*) whether the department (P. W. D.) has taken any steps for sanctioning a *junghar* service at the *Ittinayar Kadavu* ferry on the Puliyur-Mannar Road ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) :

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) & (*c*) The estimate submitted by the Division Officer, Quilon, in which a *junghar* service at the *Ittinayar Kadavu* crossing is included, is pending sanction for want of funds.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*) : May I know the amount required for opening the *junghar* service at the *Ittinayar Kadavu* crossing ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) : The opening of the road and *junghar* is estimated to cost Rs. 6,720.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*) : May I know the length of this road ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) : I have not the materials at hand now to answer the question.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*) : May I know the distance to go to Mannar from Puliyur *via* Mavelikara ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) : I claim notice.

Water supply to the town of Alleppey.

71. * **MR. K. M. KRISHNAN** (*Ambalapuzha II*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) what the progress of the work in connection with the water supply to the town of Alleppey is ;

(*b*) how many wells were bored till now (10-3-1112) for the purpose ;

(*c*) whether water in all the wells bored is of the same quality ; and

(*d*) what will be the further time required to finish the work ?

MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) :

(*a*) The investigation works are very nearly completed and the estimates are being prepared.

(*b*) Four trial borings were made, of which two failed to strike the underground stream and so had to be abandoned. The other two borings (the first and the fourth) were successful and have been installed as bore wells.

(*c*) Yes, in the two successful wells.

(*d*) Fifteen months from the commencement of the construction work.

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MR. K. M. KRISHNAN (*Ambalapuzha II*) : May I know whether the wells will supply the necessary quantity of water ?

MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : It is expected that they will.

MR. K. M. KRISHNAN (*Ambalapuzha II*) : May I know when the work will be completed ?

MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : The estimates are under preparation. The proposals for land acquisition are expected to reach Government next week. Land acquisition proceedings will be taken up soon. Administrative sanction has been accorded for the estimate, and tools and plants will be purchased immediately. The detailed estimates will reach the Government in about two months.

MR. EDAVANATT S. PADMANABHA MENON (*Shertala I*): May I know the total estimated amount for the scheme ?

MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : A detailed estimate has not yet been prepared. The work is estimated to cost approximately Rs. 10 lakhs.

MR. EDAVANATT S. PADMANABHA MENON (*Shertala I*) : What is the amount approximately spent till now ?

MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : Two estimates for investigation have been sanctioned—one for Rs. 19,000 and and another for Rs. 25,000. The investigation is almost completed ; but information about the expenditure actually incurred till now is not readily available.

The Land Mortgage Bank.

72. * MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number of applications received, disposed of by rejection, and that by sanctioning, and the number pending in each of the years in the Land Mortgage Bank since its inception ; and

(*b*) whether an year-war statement of applications pending relating to the years of 1108, 1109 and 1110 will be placed on the table with reasons thereof and duration of pendency in each office ?

RAO BAHADUR A. RENGASVAMI AIYAR (*Financial Secretary to Government*) : Government consider that the time and labour involved in collecting the information required, will not be commensurate with the possible advantages to be gained thereby.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*) : May I know the number of applications received by the Land Mortgage Bank during all these years ?

RAO BAHADUR A. RENGASVAMI AIYAR (*Financial Secretary to Government*) : 1839.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*) : May I know the number rejected ?

RAO BAHADUR A. RENGASVAMI AIYAR (*Financial Secretary to Government*) : 460.

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